

SEP 3 0 2003

BT 10.2-03

Technology Center 2100 450100-03200

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Hideyuki AGATA et al.

Serial No. :

09/844,563

Filed

April 27, 2001

For

INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD AND

PROGRAM AND PROGRAM STORAGE MEDIUM

Art Unit

2173

745 Fifth Avenue New York, New York 10151

Tel. (212) 588-0800

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:
Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on September 22, 2003

Glenn F. Savit. Reg. No. 37,437

Name of Applicant. Assignee or Registered Representative

Signature

September 22, 2003 Date of Signature

<u>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u> UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicants are filing this Information Disclosure Statement and the accompanying form PTO-1449 along with copies of the prior art therein identified. Such prior art has come to the attention of applicants by being cited in co-pending applications

PATENT 450100-03200

Serial No. 09/845,382 filed April 30, 2001, Serial No. 09/844,107, filed April 27, 2001 and Serial No. 09/845,994 filed April 30, 2001. So far as applicants are aware, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits.

The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement is not an admission that the documents identified herein constitute prior art to the present application.

Please charge any fees incurred by the filing of this document or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,

FROMMER LAWRENCE & HAUG LLP Attorneys for Applicants

By:

Glenn F. Savit

Reg. No. 37,437 Tel. (212) 588-0800